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**Ex Parte** 

Mr. William F. Caton **Acting Secretary** Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street, NW Room 222 Washington, DC 20554

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CC Docket Nos. 96-45/97-21 Re:

Dear Mr. Caton:

Attached is a letter to Chairman Hundt from Thomas J. Tauke (NYNEX) and Edward D. Young, III (Bell Atlantic) nominating Frank Gumper (NYNEX) to a seat on the Board of the Universal Service Administrative Company per the Public Notice (DA 97-1561) issued on August 1, 1997. Please make this letter a part of the record in the above-captioned proceeding.

Sincerely,

Chairman Hundt

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Dear Mr. Chairman:

It is our distinct pleasure to nominate Mr. Frank Gumper to a seat on the Board of the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC). Mr. Gumper is eminently qualified for this position. His foresight and ability to resolve complex issues have helped form a distinguished career as a telecommunications professional spanning 26 years.

Throughout his career at NYNEX, Mr. Gumper has held positions of increasing responsibility in the areas of business research and state regulatory planning. His most recent accomplishments have been in the federal regulatory arena, where he has been responsible for the development of NYNEX's telecommunications policy and the management of the company's FCC docket filings. He is also a member of the USTA's Regulatory Policy Committee (RIAC), and as such he has represented NYNEX at numerous conferences on regulatory issues, notably those involving universal service. Mr. Gumper's ability to identify points of convergence among the conflicting positions of stakeholder groups has placed him in a select group of respected industry representatives capable of forging compromise positions that benefit all parties in important proceedings.

Most recently, Mr. Gumper has been actively involved in industry efforts to resolve issues associated with Universal Service, and his broad telecommunications experience, combined with his training as an educator, allowed him to work effectively with diverse groups like NTIA and EdLinC to develop workable plans for providing universal service funds to schools and libraries. His efforts and expertise in this regard were recognized by the Universal Service Joint Board, who invited Mr. Gumper to address their first public meeting on the issue of funding schools and libraries.

We are confident that once you review Mr. Gumper's resume you will agree with us that his unique abilities and experience, along with his unflagging dedication to improving education, make him a logical choice for the Board of USAC.

Sincerely,

Thomas J. Tauke

Executive Vice President - Government Affairs

**NYNEX Corporation** 

Edward D. Young, III
Vice President & Associate General Counsel

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# **EMPLOYMENT**

#### **Vice President - Federal Regulatory, NYNEX**

1991 - 1997

Developed NYNEX's telecommunications federal regulatory policy and managed the organization responsible for analyzing public policy issues and coordinating appropriate responses for NYNEX in FCC docket filings. Presented NYNEX's public policy positions to the industry and to the FCC, and forged compromise positions among conflicting stakeholder groups when necessary that helped implement important public policy goals like price cap regulation and access reform. Represented NYNEX at numerous conferences and fora concerning important regulatory issues. Helped formulate policy statements and exploration of vital telecommunications issues at the Aspen Institute. Most recently, has played a key role within the industry and with NTIA and various education groups in identifying and resolving issues arising from implementation of the Universal Service provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Invited to address the first public meeting of the Universal Service Joint Board on the Schools and Libraries Fund. Represents NYNEX on the USTA Regulatory Policy Committee that seeks to create consensus local exchange carrier (LEC) positions.

#### **Director - Federal Regulatory, NYNEX**

1986 - 1991

Responsible for the development of NYNEX policy positions and filing with the FCC in the areas of Price Caps, ONA, Interconnection and Separations Reform. Testified before the Maine Public Utility Commission and the New Hampshire Public Utility Commission. Member Information Industry Association's Telecommunications Policy Committee.

# Director Business Research (New York Telephone, NYNEX) 1983 - 1986

Responsible for the economic and revenue forecasts used in New York Telephone (NYT), all statistical analysis studies performed within NYT, and monthly analysis of revenues. Testified to the economic, demand and revenue forecasts before the New York Public Service Commission in NYT Rate Cases.



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# District Manager - Forecasting, NYT; Staff Manager - Forecasting, NYT 1971 - 1983

Joined NYT in April 1971 in a staff position within the Forecasting Division. Promoted within organization and held various positions responsible for demand (telephone movement, gain and usage) forecasts used for construction and budget planning. Increasing areas of responsibility extended to New York City and total Company. Responsibilities also included demographic analysis and use of U.S. Census data within NYT.

# **PUBLIC SERVICE**

County Legislator, Rockland County, New York

1974 - 1978

Majority Leader, Rockland County Legislature, New York

1976 - 1978

# **EDUCATION**

# Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, BS Physics

1960 - 1965

In addition to Physics program, had minors in Astrophysics and Geophysics.

## Columbia University, Graduate School, MA Geophysics

1965 - 1971

Ph.D. candidate at the Lamont-Doherty Geophysical Observatory. Completed all departmental requirements for Ph.D. Full time research assistant. Co-authored three papers published in the Journal of Geophysical Research and the Bulletin of the Seismological Society of America. Participated in or led research projects in Alaska, Japan and Nevada.

#### Columbia University, Graduate Business School, MA Business Policy 1981 - 1983

Sponsored by New York Telephone for the Master's Degree Program for Executives. Received the Award of Excellence for the highest average grade in the class, 4.0.

## C.W. Post (Long Island University), Graduate Education School 1995 - present

Candidate for a Masters in Secondary School Education in Earth Science. Completed all credits in Education curriculum required to obtain provisional certification as a secondary public school science teacher.